SPORTS

BY BILLY CONNER

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK - John Hudson, left, and Ronnie Abernathy were named Players of the Week due to outstanding defensive play last Friday in the Raiders 28 to 0 loss to Covington. Hudson, a senior and Abernathy, a junior played their positions well and drew praise from Head Coach Stuart Justus for their efforts. Players of the Week receive a steak dinner at Maude's Restaurant, compliments of Mr. Lum Edwards, Manager.

Front row, left to right, Pam Guill, Terri Robinson, Freddy Lawson. Second row, Laura Avery, Sue Lawson, James Beaty. Third now, Neal Cole, Andrew Fratrick, Eddie Roberts, Nadine Bugg. Not pictured were Debbie Lawson, Bobbie McFaden, David Ferguson, Jimmy Roach, Dave Williams, Mike Roach, Chris Tolley, Teresa Roberts, Amy Roberts and Linda Cowan.

Raiders Lose Season Opener To Covington 28 - 0

The ACHS football team managed only 109 yards on offense and came out on the short end of a 28 to 0 score Friday night in their season opener at Covington.

Jay Franklin led the team in rushing with 24 yards as the Raiders picked up 70 yards on the ground and 39 yards through the air. Quarterback Joe Fraley connected on 4 of 9 attempts and had one pass intercepted.

The Cougers gained 186 yards rushing with Donnel Ross accounting for 101, however the Raider secondary held the Cougars to only 32 yards passing.

The Raider defense, led by John Hudson and Ronnie Abernathy played an outstanding ball game holding Covington to 6 points in the first half. A good indication of good defense by Appomattox, the Cougars managed only 8 first downs in the game. Head Coach, Stuart Justus commented, "our boys went to play ball. I am pleased with what I saw and am very optimistic about the rest of the season."

Fraley sustained an injury in the second half and had to leave the game, however he is expected to be in the line up this Friday when the Raiders travel to Gretna for their first Seminole District contest of the season.

Falling River Country Club Tennis Tournament

Twenty-one juniors participated in the Tennis Tournament held August 24 and 25 with one final match on the 26. Play started at 8 a.m. each morning, playing throughout the day. We began with boys, singles group, ages 8-12. Winner was Freddy Lawson, 2nd place, Mike Roach. Boy, singles group ages 13-15 finals was Ronnie Robinson and David Ferguson with Ronnie taking the championship. Girls, singles final match was fought between Terri Robinson and Bobbie McFaden with Terri winning. Boys, doubles, winners were Ronnie Robinson and Freddy Lawson with David Ferguson and Jimmy Roach taking Second place. Girls doubles match was fought long and hard between Pam Guill and Linda Cowan against Terri Robinson and Bobbie McFadden. We had a score of 6-3-6-4 -7-6. Pam and Linda upset the champions moving in for first place. The Mixed doubles match finals was Sue and Freddy Lawson against Ronnie Robinson and Pam Guill. This match lasted two hours. Each took a set. Then Ronnie and Pam moved in for the winners position. Mrs. Jim Beaty furnished free lunch Wednesday for all the players. Mrs. Carol Cozart helped with the tournament along with Peggy Lawson and Ruby Ferguson.

"What is A Sports Booster?"

A sports booster is a person who donates his time and money to see that the young adults in our community have a good recreational program for them.

Tuesday night, August 23, I had the privilege to attend the Appomattox County High School Sports Booster Club meeting. Like many of you I was curious as to what the ACHS Sports Booster Club was all about and where exactly my money went. Like most of you, I work just about all the time to feed my family and haven't had much time to concern myself with the sports activities at the high school. But this Tuesday night I had off, so I thought I'd go see what it's all about.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by the 76-77 club president, Bill Jamerson. Shortly after the meeting got under way, the new president for the 77-78 season was elected. John Thomas Paulette received the unanimous vote of all members present to become the new president. The meeting went on with talks by various committee members on the needs of the various sporting activities of the high school. Principal Don Armentrout then introduce the new head football coach, Stuart Justis, who told us about his new '77 football team.

After the meeting was over I cornered the former president, Bill Jamerson, and the newly elected president, John Thomas Paulette, and asked them where did all the money go that the Booster Club raised. I figured it would be a deep dark secret. Both men grabbed me by the arm and preceded to take me down to the new weight lifting room at the new high school. When we entered I was astonished at all the equipment that I saw in this room. Bill then told me that the club was started four years ago and that every since they had been buying various items for the sporting programs at ACHS. Part of the money was obtained through the membership drive went to obtain some of the things that I was looking at in this room. Last year alone, the club helped purchase uniforms for the cheerleaders, sponsored the spring sports banquet at ACHS, sponsored four young adults in special olympics. Helped with the purchase of a pitching machine for the baseball team. Gave $1500 toward the reserving of the tennis courts at the new high school and worked with the school board in getting the baseball field and the new track at the high school in shape.

But where does all the money come from I asked: John Thomas Paulette spoke up and said that most of the money comes from individual and families joining the Booster Club; plus we sell the concessions at the home football games. I bet it cost a lot of money to join this Sports Booster Club at ACHS? Not at all, said John Thomas, it's $15 for a family and $10 for an individual. But what do I get out of it?, I then asked. Bill Jamerson then told me, that you get the satisfaction of knowing that our young people at our high school have the best possible athletic programs anywhere in this state. The most up-to-date equipment to work with, plus all the safety that can be obtained.

What can I do to help? I then asked. Join the Sports Booster Club at ACHS, John Thomas Paulette said, come to all the meetings that you can, help when you can, but most of all show the young people of our county that you stand behind them in their sports programs.

The next meeting will be held September 1 at 7:30 in the Appomattox County High School Library. Remember it cost so little to help so much. Just $15 for a family or $10 for an individual, and don't forget to buy your season tickets to the Raider home football games. They are now on sale at the high school. $8 for adults, $6 for students. Why fight the long lines at the gates, get your season ticket now and come in.

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ASCS Today

By Tom Conrad

DROUGHT FLOOD CONSERVATION PROGRAM (DFCP) - In last week's column, I mentioned that Appomattox had developed the DFCP and had sent in a request asking for funds for the Program. Since last week's column, funds have become available and I have sent out a special newsletter announcing a signup for the Program.

Appomattox County received $7,744 in funds. These funds are set up to be used for certain practices to help farmers in the county solve conservation problems caused by the drought. The following practices will be available for sign up:

DC4 - Establishing Permanent Vegetative Cover

DC5 - Re-establishing or Improving Permanent Vegetative Cover

DC14 - Interim Cover

There is 80 percent cost sharing on all three practices. What this means is that if a farmer is approved for a practice, he would pay 20 percent of the cost of materials and services for the approved practice. For establishing, re-establishing or improving permanent vegetative cover, costs will be shared on lime, fertilizer and seed. For interim cover, costs will be shared on seedbed preparation, seed and the seeding operation.

The signup for the program is going on now and will run until September 10, 1977. If you have not signed up but are considering doing so, I would suggest that you do sign up just as soon as possible.

If you are planning to sign up to establish, re-establish or improve permanent vegetative cover, you must submit a soil sample from the field(s) you are signing up for. All approvals must be made by September 10, 1977, so it is essential to signup just as soon as possible so that your soil sample can be analyzed in time for approvals to be made by September 10, 1977. As in all ASCS programs, the County Committee will review all applications for approval or disapproval. Approvals will be based on conservation need of the land and available funds. If an approval is issued, the practice for which the approval was issued must be completed and reported to the ASCS office by November 30, 1977.

If you have any questions or are interested in signing up, please contact the ASCS office. Additional provisions for each practice will be explained at that time.

EMERGENCY FEED PROGRAM(EFP) - On September 1, 1977, the ASCS office will begin accepting applications for the E. F. P. The program is designed to provide assistance to eligible livestock owners by sharing the cost of feed needed for eligible livestock (50 percent of the cost not to exceed 2 cents on the pound). The assistance is to prevent widespread liquidation or undue culling of livestock because of the drought.

A special newsletter has been mailed to farmers explaining provisions of the program. Additional provisions or anything you don't understand will be explained at the ASCS office.

If you are considering signing up under the program and you have not finished harvesting your corn for silage or grain, I suggest that you wait to signup after you have finished harvesting. In processing your application we cannot determine the amount of feed on hand until it has been harvested.

FLUE TOBACCO REDE-SIGNATION - The second redesignation period for flue-cured tobacco producers is now in effect. Friday, September 2nd, will be the final day during this period to redesignate warehouses or pounds designated to a warehouse.

AREA TEACHERS VISIT NEA VEA

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Lynchburg.

Transportation and hotel costs were shared by Central Virginia UniServ (CenVaServ) and the Virginia Education Association. Participants paid for their own meals and other expenses.

The Appomattox County Education had three participants: Patsy Butler, Evelyn Heising, and Ann Ramsey.

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING FOR TOWN AND COUNTY HAS BEGUN

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mattox County and Town.

The second phase will consist of identifying goals, objectives and community desires for future growth and development.

The third phase will be the development of the plan elements. These elements will include suggestions of planning policies in the areas of land use, housing, transportation, utilities and public facilities.

Estimated completion of the preliminary draft of the comprehensive plan is scheduled for June 1978.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MENU

Mon. Sept. 9 - NO SCHOOL

Tues. Sept. 6 - Cheese Pizza w/Beef, Buttered Carrots, Tossed Garden Salad w/French Dressing, Sliced Peaches, Milk.

Wed. Sept. 7 - Chicken Salad on Lettuce w/Crackers, Potato Puffs, Sliced Bread, Green Peas, Fresh Apples, Milk.

Thurs. Sept. 8 - Hotdog on Bun w/Chili, Cole Slaw, Buttered Broccoli, Pear Halves, Cookies, Milk.

Fri. Sept. 9 - Beef Barbecue on Bun, Turnip Greens, Whipped Potatoes, Apple Cobbler, Milk.

COUNTY LINE

The school buses were out today. Another school session for the children. Some happy and some sad.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnie Kennedy and sons Perrin and Foster of Wilmington, Delaware spent the weekend here on business.

Mr. Frank Lively and Mr. Vennie Jones visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jones in Richmond Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vennie Jones visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Layne recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Jones, Mr. Randolph Marsh of Newport News and Mrs Dean Pugh were recent visitors in the home of Vinnie Jones.

Mrs. Laura Ferguson and Mrs. Vennie Jones visited Mrs. Oscar Fleshman and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fleshman Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Ray Layne and Missy visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nash last week.

Susan Carson spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nash. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gobble and Mr. Herman Guill visited in this home Saturday night.

Mrs. Elliott Nash visited Mr. and Mrs. Christine Davis attended the funeral of Mr. Bill Williamson at Union Hill Church last week.

We welcome Mrs. Lulu Mann to our community. She's living in her trailer on the farm of her son, Mr. Courtney Mann.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Minister visited Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Mayberry last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. George Nash visited in this home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Carroll Jennings, Scottie Hill and Becky Hill visited Mrs. Elliott Nash Monday.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lively this past weekend were: Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore Brown from Beckley, West Virginia, also Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Booth & daughters Sherry and Shannon from Virginia Beach. Sherry has been a visitor of the Lively's the past 10 days.

Sorry to hear about Mr. Frank Lively's mother's accident. She fell on Sunday night and broke her leg. "Granny" has spent the last four summers with the Lively's. Our prayers and best wishes are for her.

H. D. Jennings Saturday night.

Cheryl Nash spent part of last week with Dawn Kerr.

Mr. and Mrs. George D. Nash and children, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Nash and Tina, Dean, Stacy and Leon Howard spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Nash and Dawn.

Mrs. Laura Ferguson and

photo by Joe Vaughan

DRESS UP TIME- Dressing up is always fun and it contributes to the mood of any activity, as seen in photo above. During the Appomattox Historic Railroad Festival the week end of October 8 and 9, there will be a contest for the most historically authentic costumes representing the theme "Echoes of History". Some suggestions for costumes are the railroad theme, colonial days of civil war era.

Prizes will be awarded in four categories for the most authentic costumes. These categories are: family, male adult, female adult, a couple, and child. Details will be appearing in later editions of the Times-Virginian. Now is the time to decide on your costume and begin preparation. This is something the whole family can enjoy, so, men, women and children - let's get dressed for the occasion.

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